

1. The U.S. delegate to the Sec. Council said yesterday that it is only the Council who can determine the fate of the existing truce in Palestine; this was in reply to the Jewish spokesman who asked for the ending of the truce. The U.S. delegate also expressed his fear from this Jewish request.

Syrian delegate Faris el Khuri said that the U.S. delegate did not speak about the Palestine problem in general; Faris el Khuri then spoke about the Refugees, the Jewish violations, and the cables of Azzam in this respect, as well as the tragedy of the 28 Arabs who were burned to death by Jewish terrorists in Tيره village (Haifa district) in which the mediator did not care to investigate.

2. It was reported from Sweden yesterday that Count Bernadotte has asked all the nations and states of the world to help in solving the Palestine Arab Refugee Problem.

The Govt. of Cylon has decided to give \$750 pounds in aid of the Arab Refugees.

The U.S. delegate also ~~was~~ declared that his Govt. is ready to help in this human question and hoped that all American welfare organizations will participate too.

Commenting on this matter M.T. Lie said America realizes the responsibility that lies on her towards this problem and knows that this question may affect the solution of the Palestine case in general.

3. The Jewish examining Magistrate who, dealing with the case of the two Britons accused of espionage, will decide to-morrow whether these two persons should be remitted for trial or not.

Thursday-morning, Aug. 19, 1948.

1. Last night the Jews tried to attack the old city wall from the Commercial Center in order to make a counter attack that would eliminate the pressure on their posts on Zion area. The Jews approached the wall with mines in their hands; on being fired at by Arab guards the Jews ran away leaving the mines which exploded later on.

On being asked about Jewish violations of truce, Egyptian foreign minister Khashabah Pasha said that it is the subject of discussions by the proper authorities. Azzam Pasha also said that every one is aware of Jewish intentions and that necessary measures are being taken.

2. News from Tel-Aviv to London shows that the Jews are dissatisfied with the truce due to the fact that they cannot get the sufficient food and water supplies, which situation may lead to an internal disorder among themselves.

3. The mediator received a report from his Jerusalem Rep. to the effect that it is impossible to determine the responsible body or bodies connected with the blowing-up of the Latrun pumps; nevertheless the Count thinks from a personal point of view that it was Arab irregulars who did it.

4. In a message to foreign Secretary Marshall the mediator said that the Arab Refugee Problem is a very important one which is likely to affect commercial relations between U.S. and the whole East, and asked the foreign secretary to do all which he can about this question within the coming ten days(10)

The U.S. delegation to the Sec. Council stated in a mem. yesterday that the Arab Refugee Problem unless solved properly will affect the possibility of a peaceful solution for the whole Palestine case.

5. British banks in England and America have been warned of dealing with Jewish banks and currency as the Jews in Palestine are suffering economic crisis which might be declared openly in a short time. The Jewish Agency funds for the Settlements were based on debts which the inhabitants of the settlements were supposed to pay gradually. For the last two years nothing has been paid, these funds are being spent on military purposes and Jewish commerce is almost dead.

6. Prince Khalid Shehab, the new Lebanese minister of legation to Trans-Jordan was received by the King yesterday. Dr. Hussein Haikal Pasha will head the Egyptian delegation to the UN-Session of Paris next month.

Wed.-afternoon, Aug. 18, 1948.

1. Since the Jews informed Bernadotte of their readiness to stop snipping, they have been attacking the old city every night, disregarding all international laws and in spite of UN-observers' instructions. Their last mean attack was yesterday. At about 7 a.m. yesterday they made a very mean trick too; they came to Arab lines dressed in UN-Observers' uniforms and had arms under their clothes.
2. B.B.C. radio said that yesterday a Jewish constable who was accompanying the U.S. Consul General to Jewish lines was shot by an Arab sniper. The constable was shot when he was walking towards Arab lines, the broadcast added.
3. An armed Jew was seen near a water pump in Damascus yesterday; the policemen who arrested him said that he was trying to destroy the pump.
4. Jamal Hussein, the representative of the Arab Higher Committee to Lakeruccessg arrived in Damascus yesterday and called on the Syrian president. After visiting Arab leaders in Lebanon, Jamal will go to Cairo.
5. Prince Faisal, foreign minister of Su'udi Arabia will visit Turkey shortly to negotiate Su'udi Turkish commercial relations.

Tuesday-morning, Aug. 17, 1948.

1. It has been understood that the Jewish attack which took place early this morning started from Mea she'arim and Sheikh Jarrah boundaries; later it took another direction beginning with the Notre Dame and the Italian Hospital. Three Arabs were slightly wounded.

In Qalqilia (near Tulkarm) a Jewish attack was also repulsed; the Jews lost over 70 lives, many cars and lots of ammunition. The Arabs drove the Jews back to a point behind the line the Jewish attack had started from, thus recapturing an orange grove. Fighting is said to be going on in some other orange groves, it was mentioned.

The UN-observers found three dead Jewish bodies in Arab occupied area of Bab el Wad, thus proving that the Jews had started that violation of two days ago.

Observers are still investigating as to ~~the~~ this morning violation.

2. A Red Cross representative has arrived in Syria to discuss with the Govt. there the needs of refugees in that country

600 refugees have arrived in Syria in the last 24 hours.

A report from Amman says that 200,000 refugees are in the Arab countries while the rest are in certain places of Palestine.

The Arab League has suggested that all refugees be allowed to do their own jobs wherever they might be; those of military age are said to be trained for a Brigade to be placed under the command of the Arab army leaders(?)

3. Count Bernadotte has asked the British Consul General in Jerusalem to help the Jerusalem Arab municipality in getting her money from the Barclay's Bank.

Monday-afternoon, Aug. 16, 1948.

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8 (10) a.m.

1. At 5 a.m. this morning the Jews made an attack on the old city which lasted for more than an hour. The attack was repulsed and many casualties were inflicted on the enemy although it was one of the severest attacks attempted by the enemy so far.

An Arab League spokesman declared yesterday that there is little hope left for a truce in Jerusalem due to the continuous Jewish attacks and violations. UN-authorities seem to be careless.

2. The Jewish illegal immigrants who arrived in Haifa yesterday had American visas and French entry permits.

Between 300 to 500 Jewish immigrants who were detained in Cyprus and who are not of military age were released yesterday by the British authorities.

3. The British Govt. has denied the Jewish allegation that Egypt received military supplies from the British stores at Hafah. "There have been no military supplies at Hafah for a very long time," the British denial said.

Monday-morning, Aug. 16, 1948.

1. The Jews have asked the Sec. Council to order the Arab forces to leave Palestine, and to see that the wayer-pump at Latrun is fit for use again, or to allow the Jews occupy the Latrun pumping-stations after supplying them (Jews) with the building material.

Commenting on this question, Faris el Khuri of Syria said that the water problem must be dealt with in the light of the whole Palestine case. "The Arab refugee problem is more important than this one, and the number of the Arab refugees who ran away to escape murder by the Jews, the number of these Arabs is much higher than all the Jewish D.P.'s of Europe," added Faris Bey. "The fate of these refugees is more serious and important than that of the many Jews of Europe who are by no means related to Palestine," concluded the Syrian delegate.

2. News from Lake Success says that Count Bernadotte blames the Jews for almost all violations in Jerusalem and other places in Palestine.

3. British military Governor in Germany Sir Bryan Robertson is in England again for a discussion with Mr. Bevin. The fact that the French and American Assistants of the respective military Governors are also in London shows that an important decision will be taken on the situation of Berlin shortly.

Sat.-morning, Aug. 14, 1948.

1. Last night there was a Jewish attack on the old city from several places. It is said that over one thousand Jews participated in the attack which was a complete failure and ended in the loss of 125 Jews, although only hundred dead Jewish bodies were found by the observers this morning. This attack, the broadcast added, will probably put an end to all hope regarding the demilitarization of Jerusalem.

2. Count Bernadotte told the press yesterday that the latest report he had received maintained that Arab irregular soldiers were responsible for blowing up the three pump stations at Latrun. "...This wouldn't have happened, had the UN placed the 40 guards we asked for," said the mediator. Also, the Jews should have withdrawn from the two places near Latrun, the Count is said to have added.

3. In a cable to the Sec. Council the Jewish authorities said: "...The blowing up of the Latrun pump which has shown the weakness of the Sec. Council will have serious and dangerous effects."

Shertok told the Council in a cable yesterday that the Jewish authorities will not allow the 300,000 Arab refugees to return at the present.

4. In Beirut, Communist circulations were confiscated by the police and several Communist leaders were arrested, according to a Reuter's message.

Friday-afternoon, Aug. 1st, 1948.